(a) whether effort has been made to call in the Chief of ISI from Pakistan after attack on Mumbai;

(b) whether it is a fact that even after conceding it, Pakistan did not act accordingly; and

(c) the purpose to call in the Chief of ISI and the manner in which it would be fulfilled now?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) The Pakistan Foreign Office issued a Press Release dated 28 November 2008 which said 'In separate telephone calls today to the Indian Prime Minister, the President and the Prime Minister reiterated Pakistan's strong condemnation and indignation on the terrorist attacks in Mumbai and expressed Pakistan's readiness to extend every assistance and cooperation that Government of India may require in investigating these incidents. Director General (ISI) will visit India in this regard'. A similar Press Release was issued by the Pakistan Prime Minister's Office. However, DG, ISPR, Spokesperson of the Pakistan armed forces subsequently announced that no decision had been taken. Government expects that strong action would be taken against those elements, whosoever they may be, responsible for the terrorist attack in Mumbai.

Indo-Iran gas pipeline

1931. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the reaction of Government on the media reports that India is not inclined to push through Iran-Pakistan-India (IPI) gas pipeline project but is very keen on Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) pipeline;

(b) whether it is a fact that recently the Minister held bilateral talks with Pakistan on TAPI pipeline;

(c) whether it is also a fact that China is eagerly waiting to grab IPI pipeline in view of India not showing keen interest in this pipeline project; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) and (b) In order to enhance country's energy security, Government is simultaneously pursuing import of natural gas from Iran through IPI gas pipeline project and from Turkmenistan through TAPI gas pipeline project. The Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas had attended the 10th Steering Committee Meeting of the TAPI Project at Islamabad on April 23-24, 2008. During the visit bilateral issues between India and Pakistan pertaining to the IPI Gas Pipeline were also discussed.

(c) and (d) No discussions have been held between India and China on the IPI Gas Pipeline Project.

Shortage of housing

1932. SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has failed to provide 'shelter to all' and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) the details of shortage of housing in the States/UTs and the steps taken to meet the shortage and the present position of the shortage as on date;

(c) the details of funds released to the State Governments/UTs in this regard and the amount of that fund which has been utilized giving the reasons for not utilizing the balance amount;

(d) whether the State Governments and the implementing agencies furnished the utilization certificates; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA): (a) and (b) A According to the estimates made by the Technical Group constituted by the Ministry for assessment of the urban housing shortage at the end of the Tenth Five Year Plan, the total housing shortage in the country is 24.71 million.

'Land' and 'Colonisation' being State subjects, it is primarily the responsibility of State Governments to provide for adequate Shelter. However, the Union Government has formulated the first urban area focussed National Urban Housing and Habitat Policy, 2007 to set in motion a process in providing 'Affordable Housing for All' particularly the Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and Low Income Group (LIG).

This policy intends to promote sustainable development of habitat in the country with a view to ensuring equitable supply of land, shelter and services at affordable prices to all sections of society.

Apart from this, Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM), launched by the Government in the year 2005 caters to provision of housing and basic services to urban poor in 63 specified cities under the Sub Mission Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and in other cities and towns under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP).

Further, a provision of Rs. 95 crores has been made in the current financial year 2008-09 to provide for an Interest Rate Subsidy Scheme for housing loans to EWS and LIG.

(c) A sum of Rs. 2577.29 crores has been released as Additional Central Assistance (ACA) for 803089 dwelling units approved under the Sub-Mission- Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and ACA of Rs. 1635.49 crores has been released for 286740 dwelling units approved under the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP). State-wise details of projects approved under BSUP and IHSDP are given in the Statement-I and II. (*See* below).

Further, a sum of Rs. 935 crores has been released as central subsidy to the States under Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana (VAMBAY) as per details at the Statement-III (*See* below).

(d) and (e) In respect of Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) and Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP), the Additional Central Assistance (ACA) is released in installments by the Central Government on receipt of Utilization Certificates to the extent of 70% of the funds released by the Central Government and proportionate State Share. Housing Projects have long gestation period and take time to complete. Accordingly, States are in the process of submitting Utilization Certificates. A total amount (ACA) of Rs. 463.70 crore has been released as 2nd/3rd installment under BSUP and an amount of Rs. 69.13 crore has been released as 2nd installment under IHSDP based on utilization by the States.

Under the Valmiki Ambedkar Awas Yojana (VAMBAY) as per details at the Statement-III, Utilisation Certificates (UCs) of Rs. 813.53 crores have been received in respect of sanctioned schemes, whereas UCs of Rs. 121.46 crores are due. Matter is being pursued on regular basis with defaulting States/UTs for submission of UCs.

Statement-I

JNNURM-Basic Service to the Urban Poor (Sub Mission II) Total Projects

Status as on 25.11.2008 Rs. in crores

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	Mission Cities	Projects approved	Total project cost approved	Total No. of dwelling units approved	Total Central Share approved	Total State Share approved	Total ACA released by M/o Finance
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3	19	1707.78	93995	846.92	860.86	423.70
2.	Arunanchal Pradesh	1	1	4.10	100	3.38	0.75	0.84
3.	Assam	1	1	53.95	1232	48.56	5.40	12.141
4.	Chandigarh (UT)	1	2	564.94	25728	396.13	168.81	5.00
5.	Chhattisgarh	1	4	391.45	27976	312.18	79.26	78.05
6.	Bihar	2	9	367.72	14596	179.54	188.18	44.89
7.	Delhi	1	15	1814.49	65504	768.73	1045.76	157.72
8.	Gujarat	4	13	1268.87	87504	612.93	655.94	204.63
9.	Goa	1	1	10.22	155	4.60	5.62	1.15
10.	Haryana	1	2	64.23	3248	31.18	33.05	2.38
11.	Himachal Pradesh	1	2	24.01	636	18.27	5.74	4.57
12.	Jammu and Kashmir	2	2	105.17	5208	84.88	20.29	21.22
13.	Jharkhand	2	8	260.04	9188	171.62	88.43	4.90
14.	Karnataka	2	7	510.27	21846	272.97	237.30	68.24

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
15.	Kerala	2	6	304.12	22208	202.39	101.73	50.65
16.	Madhya Pradesh	4	19	520.68	33289	256.67	264.00	74.13
17.	Maharashtra	5	36	4135.48	130612	1932.11	2203.36	575.01
18.	Meghalaya	1	2	30.44	600	23.77	6.67	5.94
19.	Mizoram	1	2	34.33	408	28.91	5.42	7.23
20.	Nagaland	1	1	134.50	3504	105.60	28.90	41.79
21.	Orissa	2	5	67.17	2316	48.77	18.40	12.19
22.	Punjab	2	2	72.43	5152	36.15	36.28	9.04
23.	Puducherry	1	2	43.97	1304	32.31	11.67	8.08
24.	Rajasthan	2	2	277.14	17337	169.20	107.95	42.30
25.	Sikkim	1	1	3.25	52	2.79	0.46	0.70
26.	Tamil Nadu	3	24	2134.11	85607	947.36	1186.75	251.28
27.	Tripura	1	1	16.73	256	13.96	2.77	3.491
28.	Uttar Pradesh	7	15	640.53	27760	295.99	344.53	102.81
29.	Uttarakhand	3	4	22.88	524	18.08	4.80	4.52
30.	West Bengal	2	76	2411.30	115244	1166.55	1244.75	299.70
	TOTAL FOR PROJECTS	61	284	17996.28	803089	9032.49	8963.78	2577.29

Statement-II

Integrated Housing and Slums Development Programme (IHSDP)

Total Projects Approved

Status as on 25.11.2008 Rs. in crores

Sl. No.	Name of the State/UT	No. of projects approved	Total project cost approved	Total no. of new dweling units approved for con-struction	Total number dweling units for up-gradation	Total number dwelling units approved	Total Central Share approved	Total State Share approved	Total ACA released by M/o Finance
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Andhra Pradesh	65	725.33	29257	0	29257	541.34	183.99	282.93
2	Andaman and Nicobar Island	1	5.27	0	40	40	4.74	0.53	2.37

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
3.	Assam	12	38.31	1668	3725	5393	33.11	5.20	16.55
4.	Bihar	10	80.73	6500	0	6500	59.76	20.96	29.83
5.	Chhattisgarh	14	176.50	14846	0	14846	122.01	54.49	61.00
6.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	1	0.50	0	0	0	0.45	0.05	0.23
7.	Daman and Diu	1	0.69	16	0	16	0.58	0.11	0.29
8.	Gujarat	23	227.49	18405	0	18405	153.13	74.36	71.52
9.	Haryana	15	238.84	14558	83	14641	182.96	55.88	91.48
10.	Himachal Pradesh	3	23.44	816	0	816	16.19	7.25	8.10
11.	Jammu and Kashmir	10	42.40	1770	884	2654	32.23	10.17	16.12
12.	Jharkhand	1	19.67	1292	0	1292	15.58	4.09	7.79
13.	Karnataka	25	240.27	13053	0	13053	145.76	94.51	72.88
14.	Kerala	28	150.07	8964	4564	13528	114.22	35.85	61.29
15.	Madhya Pradesh	33	241.89	16795	369	17164	171.08	70.81	85.54
16.	Mizoram	3	8.27	624	0	624	6.21	2.06	3.11
17.	Rajasthan	34	418.82	18349	7285	25634	287.90	130.93	143.95
18.	Meghalaya	1	21.82	456	0	456	8.97	12.85	4.49
19.	Manipur	2	16.50	1103	0	1103	12.37	4.14	5.18
20.	Maharashtra	51	610.41	41350	0	41350	438.21	172.20	193.30
21.	Nagaland	1	87.74	2496	0	2496	44.14	43.60	22.07
22.	Orissa	15	83.63	4884	0	4884	59.13	24.50	29.57
23.	Punjab	3	63.42	2475	2183	4658	32.62	30.79	16.31
24.	Puducherry	1	17.03	432	0	432	5.48	11.55	2.31
25.	Tamil Nadu	30	225.67	17506	2257	19763	169.19	56.47	84.60
26.	Tripura	I	7.19	400	0	400	6.33	0.86	3.17
27.	Uttar Pradesh	50	214.79	8920	0	8920	134.71	80.08	59.82
28.	Uttarakhand	2	5.85	231	0	231	2.91	2.95	1.45
29.	West Bengal	70	667.26	38184	0	38184	482.34	184.91	257.20
	TOTAL	506	4659.79	265350	21390	286740	3283.66	1376.14	1635.49

Statement-III

Cumulative Statewise details of Utilization certificate Recd. for VAMBAY Schemes as on 30.09.2008

(Rs. in Lakh)

State/UT	Total subsidy released in 2001-02	Total UC recd. against the same	Total subsidy released in 2002-03	Total UC recd. against the same	Total subsidy released in 2003-04	Total UC recd. against the same
Andhra Pradesh	1200.000	1200.000	5132.112	5093.582	5987.383	5987.383
Arunachal Pradesh						
Bihar					0.000	0.000
Chhattisgarh	65.000	65.000	529.410	529.410	423.470	410:194
Delhi	50.000	50.000				
Gujarat	384.000	384.000	1680.00 0	1680.000	13.480	13.480
Haryana					202.276	188.796
Jammu and Kashmir	87.000	87.000	38.320	38.320	112.930	99.450
Jharkhand						
Karnataka	915.000	915.000	2042.600	2042.600	3999.580	3982.380
Kerala	182.000	182.000	2389.650	2389.650	1390.220	1390.220
Madhya Pradesh	200.750	200.750	823.780	663.240	268.700	268.700
Maharashtra	1188.000	1198.000	845.600	845.600	5334.967	5036.466
Manipur			7.875	7.875	205.400	205.400
Nagaland			9.000	9.000	185.830	185.830
Orissa			61.200	61.200	54.780	49.650
Pondicherry	33.500	33.500			62.800	61.225
Rajasthan	300.000	300.000	760.000	707.600	52.985	39.505
Tamil Nadu	1172.000	1172.000	2846.500	2846.500	2126.480	2096.980
Tripura	10.050	10.050	144.978	144.978	233.080	219.600
Uttar Pradesh	443.450	443.450	1104.060	1104.060	1912.480	104,950
Uttaranchal	36.000	36.000	160.150	46.800	263.680	47.400
West Bengal	590.600	590.550	754.050	753.540	144.220	144.220
HUDCO/Ministry	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	60.400	60.400
TOTAL	6867.360	6867.300	19329.285	18963.9S5	23035.141	20882.229

Total subsidy released in 2004-05	Total UC recd. against the same	Total subsidy released in 2005-06	UC recd. for the same	Total subsidy released in 2006-07	UC recd. for the same	Total subsidy released	Total UC recd.	UC not yet furnished
3492.490	3084.890	7127.410	5285.040			22939.395	20650.895	2288.500
18.000	18.000	272.925	0.000			290.925	18.000	272.925
		3.60				3.600	0.000	3.600
0 000	0.000	1124.32	1124.320	121.280	0.000	2263.480	2128.924	134.566
						50.000	50.000	0.000
392.840	392.840	126.70	126.700	17.800	17.800	2614.820	2614.820	0.000
						202.276	188.796	13.480
64.250	64.250	78.810	78.810			381.310	367.830	13.480
718.800	316.200	696.400	574.500			1415.200	890.700	524.500
718.800	316.200	696.400	574.500			1415.200	890.700	524.500
406.000	406.000	1774.100	1604.400			9137.280	8950.380	186.900
200.000	200.000	1336.74	1336.740	621.460	0.000	6120.070	5498.610	621.460
300.000	206.000	50.000	25.000			1643.230	1363.690	279.540
13244.968	10914.048	1622.540	1531.645			22246.075	19525.759	2720.316
0.000	0.000	88.425	88.425			301.700	301.700	0.000
6.200	6.200	113.625	113.625			314.655	314.655	0.000
15.000	11.000					130.980	121.850	9.130
123.600	110.210					219.900	204.935	14.965
650.000	50.000	16.880	11.120			1779.865	1108.225	671.640
4705.630	4705.630	1754.200	1634.200	308.000	308.000	12912.810	12763.310	149.500
		48.375	48.375			436.483	423.003	13.480
1991.950	0.000					5461.940	1652.460	3799.480
						459.830	130.200	329.630
467.000	395.270	161.760	134.950			2117.630	2018.530	99.100
5.473	5.473					65.873	65.873	0.000
26802.201	20886.011	16396.810	13717.880	1068.540	325.800	93499.327	81353.145	12146.182